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Security Council Informal Working Group on International Tribunals

3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7 (NLB)

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 141 (Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 48/218B, 54/244 and 59/272: Independent Audit Advisory Committee (A/64/288 (annex I))); and

Agenda item 132 (Programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011: Financing of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/63/592 and A/63/744))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 130 (Review of efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Accountability (A/64/640, A/64/683, A/64/683/Corr.1 and A/64/587))

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General Assembly
Sixty-fourth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary to hear a briefing by the Secretary-General on his recent visit to Chile, on Wednesday, 10 March 2010, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. *Member States are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level.*

General Assembly
Sixty-fourth session

Informal consultations of the plenary on system-wide coherence ("Delivering as one") will be held on Wednesday, 10 March 2010, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

An informal "informal" meeting on system-wide coherence ("Delivering as one") will take place on Friday, 12 March 2010, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

A letter from the Co-Facilitators, dated 25 February 2010, was sent by facsimile to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-fourth session

A high-level interactive dialogue on the implementation of the International Decade for Action, "Water for Life", 2005-2015, and the realization of the internationally agreed water-related goals, will be held on World Water Day, Monday, 22 March 2010 at 9 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 12 February and 4 March 2010, were sent by facsimile to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-fourth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development
(23-24 March 2010)

In accordance with General Assembly decision 64/551 of 23 February 2010, the fourth High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development will be held on Tuesday, 23, and Wednesday, 24 March 2010, at United Nations Headquarters (*see pp. 6-8, for complete details*).

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
2010 substantive session

Working Group of the Whole

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 4 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 4 (NLB)
	Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole	[6]

[*Note*: Background information on the draft report and on the Special Committee is available for Committee members and observers at <www.c34.unlb.org>.]

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Morning[1]–1 p.m.	259th meeting	Conference Room 2 (NLB)
	Adoption of the Report (A/AC.182/2010/CRP.1, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.1/Add.1, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.2, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.3, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.4, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.5, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.6, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.7, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.8, A/AC.182/2010/CRP.9 and A/AC.182/2010/CRP.9/Add.1)	

Working Group of the Whole

10 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2 (NLB)

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the Working Group of the Whole meeting.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
	United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo	

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Ninety-eighth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	2687th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)
	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant [7]	
	Fifth periodic report of Mexico (CCPR/C/MEX/5)	
3–6 p.m.	2688th meeting (closed)	Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)
	Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant	[10]

United Nations Dispute Tribunal

Hearings

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Open meeting	Conference Room 6 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Open meeting	Conference Room 8

Economic and Social Council

Commission on the Status of Women

Fifty-fourth session

3–6 p.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 1

Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolutions and decisions (E/CN.6/2010/9) [5]

Panel of experts: Contribution to the 2010 Annual Ministerial Review of the Economic and Social Council: "Implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to gender equality and empowerment of women"

Address by the Deputy Secretary-General

Address by the President of the Economic and Social Council

Presentations by and interactive dialogue with the panellists

[*Note*: The list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-fourth session of the Commission can be consulted at <www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/beijing15/parallel.html>.]

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 8

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 9 March 2010

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

9–9.45 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Pacific Islands Forum (coordination meeting) (on the Commission on the Status of Women)

9.15–9.45 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room E (NLB)

Informal consultations convened by delegations (fifty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Women's economic empowerment" (convened by the delegation of Colombia)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1
1.15–2.45 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Reducing maternal mortality and morbidity through the empowerment of women" (convened by the delegation of the United States)

3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room B (NLB)

Group of 77 (on humanitarian issues)

11 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.30–2.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on matters related to the Committee on Information)

3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room E (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Southern African Development Community (SADC) (on the draft resolution on women, the girl child and HIV/AIDS) (fifty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women)

3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Other activities

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Tuesday, 9 March 2010

Presentation of the Encyclopedia of the Holocaust on the Territory of the URSS (co-organized by the American Forum of Russian Jewry-RAJI and the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information contact the Press Office, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation (e-mail rusun@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 861-4903).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Tuesday, 9 March 2010

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Guest*: Mr. Edmond Mulet, Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH)]

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold its 26th meeting on Wednesday, 10 March 2010, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 26th meeting in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Sixty-fourth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development

(23-24 March 2010)

In accordance with General Assembly decision 64/551 of 23 February 2010, the fourth High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development will be held on Tuesday, 23, and Wednesday, 24 March 2010, at United Nations Headquarters. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 64/194 of 21 December 2009, the overall theme of the Dialogue will be "The Monterrey Consensus and Doha Declaration on Financing for Development: status of implementation and tasks ahead".

Plenary meetings

The Dialogue will include three plenary meetings, chaired by the President of the General Assembly. Two plenary meetings will be held on Tuesday, 23 March, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. A short closing plenary meeting will be held on Wednesday, 24 March, at 5.45 p.m. All plenary meetings will be held in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Each delegation will have one seat for the representative and one seat for the alternate representative or adviser.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings is open. Inscriptions shall be on a first-come, first-served basis and will be arranged in accordance with the established practice of the General Assembly. Delegations are reminded that statements in the plenary meetings *should be limited to five minutes*, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts.

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783; room S-2940B).

Round tables

The Dialogue will include three interactive multi-stakeholder round tables to be held in parallel on Wednesday, 24 March, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following themes:

Round table 1: The reform of the international monetary and financial system and its implications for development (Conference Room 1);

Round table 2: The impact of the current financial and economic crisis on foreign direct investment and other private flows, external debt and international trade (Conference Room 2 (NLB)); and

Round table 3: The role of financial and technical development cooperation, including innovative sources of development finance, in leveraging the mobilization of domestic and international financial resources for development (Conference Room 4 (NLB)).

Each round table will be open to participation by representatives of all Member States; 10 representatives of observers, relevant entities of the United Nations system and other accredited intergovernmental organizations; 3 representatives of accredited civil society organizations; and 3 representatives of accredited business sector entities. Each representative may be accompanied by one adviser. No list of speakers will be established. Each oral statement *should be limited to three minutes*, although this will not preclude distribution of more extensive texts.

The inscription of aforementioned non-state entities for participation in the round tables will be on a first come, first served basis, *until 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 17 March*. Their representatives wishing to participate in the round tables are kindly requested to inscribe with the Financing for Development Office (e-mail espinar@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5738; fax 1 (917) 367-5869; room DC2-2156).

Informal interactive dialogue

An informal interactive dialogue, chaired by the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Wednesday, 24 March, from 3 to 5.45 p.m., on the theme "The link between financing for development and achieving the Millennium Development Goals: the road to the 2010 high-level event", in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The informal interactive dialogue will be open to participation by representatives of all Member States; 15 representatives of observers, relevant entities of the United Nations system and other accredited intergovernmental organizations; 5 representatives of accredited civil society organizations; and 5 representatives of accredited business sector entities. Each representative may be accompanied by one adviser. No list of speakers will be established. Each oral statement *should be limited to three minutes*, although this will not preclude distribution of more extensive texts.

The inscription of aforementioned non-State entities for participation in the interactive dialogue will be on a first come, first served basis, *until 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 17 March*. Their representatives wishing to participate in the informal interactive dialogue are kindly requested to inscribe with the Financing for Development Office (e-mail espinar@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5738; fax 1 (917) 367-5869; room DC2-2156).

Composition of delegations

In accordance with the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, delegations of Member States and accredited observers are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted as soon as possible to the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service (tel. 1 (212) 963-7181; fax 1 (212) 963-1921; room NL-2058E).

Registration of civil society and business sector participants

Registration of accredited civil society and business sector entities for participation in the multi-stakeholder round tables and the informal interactive dialogue is open. Representatives of accredited civil society organizations are kindly requested to contact the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (e-mail ffd@un-ngls.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3125; room DC1-1106). Representatives of accredited business sector entities are kindly requested to contact the Financing for Development Office (e-mail espinar@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5738; fax 1 (917) 367-5869; room DC2-2156).

Side events

Delegations of Member States and accredited non-State entities wishing to organize side events are kindly requested to contact the Financing for Development Office (e-mail orr@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2569; fax 1 (917) 367-5869; room DC2-2148).

For further information, please consult the Financing for Development Web site at <www.un.org/esa/ffd/hld/HLD2010/index.htm>.

General Assembly

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties

Nineteenth Meeting

Working Group of the Bureau

The informal Working Group of the Bureau of the nineteenth Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will hold its 6th meeting on the workload of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, on Friday, 12 March 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Disarmament Commission

Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Monday, 15 March 2010, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/CN.10/L.64. All Member States are invited to attend.

2010 substantive session

The 2010 substantive session of the Disarmament Commission will be held from Monday, 29 March, to Friday, 16 April 2010. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 29 March, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Secretariat (tel. 1 (212) 963-2378). The Secretariat would also appreciate it if delegations could communicate to the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management (fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *as soon as possible*, the names of representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Disarmament Commission.

Ninth round of informal consultations of States parties to the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 64/72 of 4 December 2009, the ninth round of Informal Consultations will be held on Tuesday, 16, and Wednesday, 17 March 2010, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Pursuant to paragraph 36 of the resolution, States and entities that are not parties to the Agreement, as well as organizations, institutions, programmes, bodies and specialized agencies, and relevant non-governmental organizations are invited to attend as observers.

The informal consultations will serve primarily as a preparatory meeting for the resumed Review Conference on the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement, to be held from Monday, 24, to Friday, 28 May 2010, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 63/112 of 5 December 2008, and resolution 64/72. Further information on the matter can be found on the Web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs <www.un.org/Depts/los/index.htm>.

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
Informal meeting

An informal preparatory meeting for the eleventh meeting of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea will be held on Thursday, 18 March 2010, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Delegations interested in obtaining the initial reporting materials on capacity-building in ocean affairs and the law of the sea, including marine science, which address the topic of focus of the eleventh meeting of the Consultative Process, are invited to visit the Web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs <www.un.org/Depts/los>.

2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation Nuclear Weapons

The 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 3, to Friday, 28 May 2010, at United Nations Headquarters. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 3 May, at 10.30 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

The Review Conference will hold its general debate from 3 p.m. on Monday, 3 May, to 6 p.m. on Thursday, 6 May. The list of speakers for the general debate will be open at 10 a.m. *on Monday, 15 March 2010*. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; fax 1 (212) 963-8892).

States parties are kindly requested to send the credentials of their delegations *not later than Monday, 26 April 2010*, to the provisional Secretary-General of the Conference, Mr. Thomas Markram (Office for Disarmament Affairs, room DN-3501A, United Nations, New York). In accordance with rule 2 of the draft rules of procedure to be adopted by the Conference, credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Further information for speakers, as well as accreditation and registration procedures, are contained in the Information Note NPT/CONF.2010/INF/1*, which has already been circulated and is available on the Web site of the 2010 NPT Review Conference <www.un.org/en/conf/npt/2010>.

Committee on Contributions
Seventieth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventieth session at Headquarters from Monday, 7, to Friday, 25 June 2010.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly no later than *Friday, 21 May 2010*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (room FF-610, 304 East 45th Street; tel. 1 (212) 963-5306 or 963-5866; fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 of the Assembly. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2010

The Vice-presidency of the Council (Chile) will hold informal consultations on the theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council on Thursday, 11 March 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

The special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development will take place on Thursday and Friday, 18 and 19 March 2010, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB), under the chairmanship of the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali (Malaysia). The meeting will address the overall theme of "*Building on Monterrey and Doha: Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals*".

The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. sharp on Thursday, 18 March 2010. At the opening, the heads of the intergovernmental bodies of the major institutional stakeholders will make statements. There will then be three consecutive thematic debates of the whole, as follows:

Thematic debate 1: Mobilizing domestic and international resources to fund existing and emerging MDG implementation gaps (Thursday, 18 March, from 3 to 6 p.m.);

Thematic debate 2: Supporting rehabilitation, recovery and development efforts of developing countries with special needs and those facing humanitarian emergency situations (Friday, 19 March, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.); and

Thematic debate 3: Enhancing coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development (Friday, 19 March, from 3 to 6 p.m.).

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council and representatives of intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegation, to the Secretary of the Council (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), with a copy to the Financing for Development Office (room DC2-2170; fax 1 (212) 963-0443).

It is emphasized that the nature of the meeting, including the three thematic debates, will be a free-flowing interactive discussion and would therefore *have no list of speakers in advance*. The time limit per intervention will be *three minutes*, but full texts of statements may be circulated in written form (300 copies will be required).

Additional information on the meeting is available on the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/ffd/ecosoc/springmeetings/2010/index.htm>.

United Nations Forum on Forests
Briefings

The Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) will hold consecutive briefings on the UNFF strategic work plan on forest financing, as well as on the preparations for the first meeting of the Open-Ended Intergovernmental Ad Hoc Expert Group on Sustainable Forest Management Financing, established pursuant to the resolution adopted at the special session of the ninth session of the Forum (E/CN.18/SS.2009/L.1). The briefings will be held on Wednesday, 10 March 2010, in Conference Room 8, as follows: with the Group of 77 and China (*from 10 to 11 a.m.*); with the European Union (*from 11 a.m. to 12 noon*); *with countries with economies in transition (from 12 noon to 1 p.m.)*; and with the JUSCANZ Group (*from 1.15 to 2.15 p.m.*). For further information, please contact Mr. Hossein Moeini-Meybodi, UNFF Secretariat (e-mail moeini-meybodi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5949); or visit the Web site <www.un.org/esa/forests/pdf/UNFFS_briefings_10_03_2010.pdf>.

Commission on Population and Development

Briefing

The Chair, H.E. Mr. Daniel Carmon, will hold an informal briefing on the programme of work of the forty-third session of the Commission on Population and Development, on Thursday, 11 March 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB). All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Forty-third session

The forty-third session of the Commission on Population and Development will be held from Monday, 12, to Friday, 16 April 2010. The first meeting will be convened on Monday, 12 April, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/CN.9/2010/1 and the proposed organization of work in document E/CN.9/2010/L.1. Background information and official documents before the session may be found at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/population/cpd/cpd2010/comm2010.htm>.

Members of the Commission and observers wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (fax 1 (212) 963-5305; room S-2977E).

The general discussion, under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: health, morbidity, mortality and development), will be held on Tuesday, 13 April 2010. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the speakers list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)).

Other forthcoming meetings

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JUSCANZ Group (Third Committee experts)

Wednesday, 10 March 2010, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Briefing on the sixteenth session of the Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Thursday, 11 March 2010, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Southern African Development Community (SADC) (on the draft resolution on women, the girl child and HIV/AIDS) (fifty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women)

Thursday, 11 March 2010, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Rio Group: Second Committee (on macroeconomic issues)

Friday, 12 March 2010, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Informal consultations on the Review Conference of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Brazil and Kenya)

Monday, 15 March 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

Friday, 19 March 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Tuesday, 23 March 2010, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Wednesday, 24 March 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Thursday, 25 March 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Forthcoming other activities

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UNU Midday Forum on "Crisis of character — Building corporate reputation in the age of skepticism" (organized by the United Nations University Office in New York (UNU-ONY))

Wednesday, 10 March 2010, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information and to register, please visit <www.ony.unu.edu>; or contact Mr. Khadhraoui Bessam, UNU-ONY (e-mail bessam@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6387).]

Briefing by the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) on "The work of the ITU in support of the Millennium Development Goals; broadband technology as a catalyst for the achievement of the MDGs; ICTs in disaster relief and mitigation; and cybersecurity" (on the occasion of the opening of the United Nations Liaison Office of ITU)

Monday, 15 March 2010, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. To register and for further information, please contact Mr. Gary Fowlie, ITU Office (e-mail protocol.service@itu.int; tel. 1 (917) 367-2992).]

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The first round of language-specific informational meetings for 2010 will be held in April, in Conference Room D (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, 28 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*;
Wednesday, 28 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*;
Thursday, 29 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*;
Thursday, 29 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*;
Friday, 30 April, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*; and
Friday, 30 April, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*.

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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Summary of official meetings

Monday, 8 March 2010

General Assembly

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Ninety-eighth session

2685th meeting — *Opening of the session by the representative of the Secretary-General* [1]

The ninety-eighth session of the Committee was opened by the representative of the Secretary-General, Ms. Jessica Neuwirth.

Solemn declaration by newly elected member of the Committee in accordance with article 38 of the Covenant [2]

The newly elected member of the Committee, Mr. Mahjoub El Haiba (Morocco) made a solemn declaration.

Adoption of the agenda (CCPR/C/98/1) [3]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document CCPR/C/98/1.

Organizational and other matters [4]

The Chairperson of the Working Group on Communications presented a report of its activities held last week.

Meeting with representatives of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations [5]

The Committee met with representatives of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations in closed session.

2686th meeting *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant* [7]

The Committee began its consideration of the fifth periodic report of Mexico (CCPR/C/MEX/5).

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Commission on the Status of Women

Fifty-fourth session

13th meeting *Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"* [3]

The Commission resumed its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Gabon, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Rwanda and Iraq.

Statements were also made by the observers for Liechtenstein, Monaco, Slovakia, Burundi, Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Poland, Mali, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Marshall Islands, Saint Lucia, Georgia and Tuvalu, as well as by the observers for the Holy See and Palestine.

The observers for the following intergovernmental organizations also made statements: League of Arab States; African Union; International Organization of la Francophonie; International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies; Association internationale des conseils économiques et sociaux et institutions similaires (AICESIS); International Organization for Migration (IOM); Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS); and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

A statement was also made by the representative of the non-governmental organization, Oxfam GB (on behalf of the European Women's Caucus).

Right of reply

In the exercise of the right of reply, the representative of Turkey and the observer for Ethiopia made statements.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

14th meeting

Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century": implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives: review of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session and its contribution to shaping a gender perspective in the realization of the Millennium Development Goals [3 (a)]

Expert panel discussion

The Commission held an expert panel discussion on "Women's economic empowerment in the context of the global economic and financial crisis".

Presentations were made by Ms. Alma Espino, Economist and Researcher, Economics Institute, Faculty of Economics and Administration at the Republic University, Uruguay; Ms. Mona Khalaf, Economist and Independent Consultant on Gender and Development Issues; and Ms. Rania Antonopoulos, Director, Gender Equality and the Economy Programme, Levy Institute in Annandale-on-Hudson, New York.

The Commission then held a dialogue with the panellists, in which the delegations of the following countries participated: Democratic Republic of the Congo, Indonesia, Brazil, Senegal, China, Spain (on behalf of the European Union), Italy, Israel, Republic of Korea, Paraguay, Islamic Republic of Iran, Austria, Iceland, Turkey, Colombia, Armenia, Belgium, Japan, Netherlands, Switzerland, South Africa, Philippines, Thailand and Rwanda.

The representatives of the following non-governmental organizations also participated in the dialogue: International Federation of Business and Professional Women; World Student Christian Federation (also on behalf of the Anglican Consultative Council, Association of Presbyterian Women of Aotearoa, New Zealand and World Conference of Religion for Peace); Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; and Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid (CORDAID) (also on behalf of HelpAge International, Huairou Commission: Women, Homes and Community, and Grassroots Organizations Operating Together in Sisterhood).

Organization of work

The Chair and the Secretary made statements.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

European Agreement on main international traffic arteries (AGR). Geneva, 15 November 1975

Proposal of Amendments to Annex I of the AGR (4 February 2010)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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H.E. Mr. Zahir Tanin

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H.E. Mr. Yuriy Sergeyev

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Panama
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Germany
H.E. Mr. Peter Wittig

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A/64/644	Item 163 — Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009) — Financing of support of the African Union Mission in Somalia for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *48 pages*
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A/AC.198/2010/2	Activities of the Department of Public Information: strategic communications services — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *25 pages*
	Tenth emergency special session
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